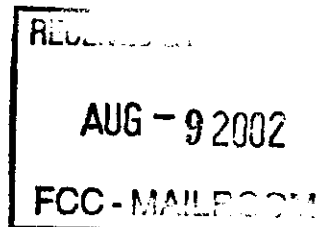


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RE: CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21
Request for Waiver
Appeal of Decision of USAC dated 7/1/02
APPEAL on funding decision DATED APRIL 24, 2002

FORM 471 APPLICATION NUMBER: 291024
FUNDING YEAR 2002
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Original funding denial explanation says-Signature Violation: form was signed before ACD date.

Form was submitted electronically on 1/14/02. The signature page of the form was signed by the board president on 1/8/02, the only day during that two week time period that she was available. The signature page was mailed 1/11/02 to arrive by 1/14/02.

Our application was for telephone service only.

We had 21 days to review and decide on our contract. Our contract is with the only company that operates telephone service in the area.

Loss of this funding would be a hardship to our library, since it has already been included in our budget for the year.

Please review this case and inform me of the results of this appeal.
Thank you.

Lena K. Carichner, Librarian